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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 79-18

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: AB 1642, "CALIFORNIA SOCIAL SERVICES PLANNING ACT"

REFERENCE:

The California Social Services Planning Act (AB 1642; Chapter 1235) became effective January 1, 1979. The AB 1642 Implementation Branch within the Adult and Family Services Division of this Department has the primary responsibility for the bill's implementation, including the annual Title XX Plan and planning process. We are approaching implementation on a systems development basis. The major system components have been identified, and are currently being fully defined and placed on a timeline for installation.

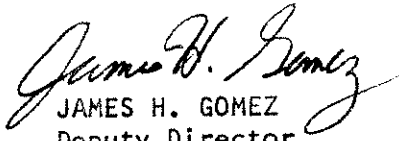
Our present planning direction is to have most of the system components in place by the 1980-81 fiscal year. This will provide for the collection of data necessary for the development of the first "AB 1642 State Plan", to be implemented in the 1982-83 fiscal year. Data collected during 1980-81 fiscal year will be updated on an ongoing basis to ensure that the most accurate information is included in the 1982-83 Governor's Budget.

To ensure full compliance with the bill by July 1, 1982, we are initiating systems development and implementation on a flow basis. Implementation of the first phase of the Fiscal Cost Accounting System is scheduled for July 1, 1979. This will include the revision of the current Administrative Claim and Time Study requirements, for use as a base in isolating expenditure data on program-by-program basis. County training on the new claiming procedure is being scheduled for April 1979.

We recognize the importance of working closely with counties to achieve the successful implementation of AB 1642. As part of that endeavor, departmental staff will continue to meet with the CWDA Services Subcommittee on an ongoing basis to obtain input and feedback concerning the implementation process.

As we move forward with our effort, we plan to maximize the mutual benefits of a continuing exchange of information between ourselves and the counties. As questions or concerns arise, please feel free to contact Cynthia A. Liddell, Acting Branch Chief of the AB 1642 Implementation Branch, or Lynn Delaney at (445-2174).

Sincerely,


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cc: CWDA